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A seal assembly, comprising:

- a) a first surface, said first surface comprising a seal ring bonded to a mounting ring, said seal ring comprising an outer peripheral edge and textured features interior to said outer peripheral edge, wherein said textured features comprise protrusions extending outward from said first surface;
- b) a substantially flat second surface in motion relative to said first surface; and
- c) said first and second surfaces contacted under conditions such that a seal is produced.

26. 26 The seal assembly of claim 24, wherein said protrusions have recesses.

27. 27 The seal assembly of claim 24, wherein said protrusions have a cylindrical shape.

28. 28 The seal assembly of claim 24, wherein said protrusions are identical.

29. 29 The seal assembly of claim 24, wherein the spacing of each of said textured features are equidistant.

30. 30 The seal assembly of claim 24, wherein the motion of said second surface is rotational.

31. 31 The seal assembly of claim 24, wherein said outer peripheral edge is curved.

32. 32 The seal assembly of claim 24, wherein said outer peripheral edge is raised.

32.<sup>33</sup> A seal assembly, comprising:

- a) a substantially flat first surface;
- b) a second surface in motion relative to said first surface; wherein said second surface comprises a seal ring bonded to a mounting ring, said seal ring comprising an outer peripheral edge and textured features interior to said outer peripheral edge, wherein said textured features comprise protrusions extending outward from said second surface; and
- c) said first and second surfaces contacted under conditions such that a seal is produced.

33.<sup>34</sup> The seal assembly of claim 32,<sup>33</sup> wherein said protrusions have recesses.

34.<sup>35</sup> The seal assembly of claim 32,<sup>33</sup> wherein said protrusions have a cylindrical shape.

35.<sup>36</sup> The seal assembly of claim 32,<sup>33</sup> wherein said protrusions are identical.

36.<sup>37</sup> The seal assembly of claim 32,<sup>33</sup> wherein the spacing of each of said textured features are equidistant.

37.<sup>38</sup> The seal assembly of claim 32,<sup>33</sup> wherein the motion of said second surface is rotational.

38.<sup>39</sup> The seal assembly of claim 32,<sup>33</sup> wherein said outer peripheral edge is curved.

39.<sup>40</sup> The seal assembly of claim 32,<sup>33</sup> wherein said outer peripheral edge is raised.